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Attorney's Docket No. 021565-075

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Frank MEULEWAETER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1635
Application No.: 09/551,494) Examiner: J. Epps
Filed: April 18, 2000) Confirmation No.: 2755
For: METHOD AND MEANS FOR)
DELIVERING INHIBITORY RNA TO)
PLANTS AND APPLICATIONS)
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Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose
the [] RCE Fee S [X] RCE Fee \$750.00 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

1. Applicant(s) previously submitted the following documents for which continued examination is requested:
[X] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 30, 2003.
[] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____.
[X] Other: Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 of Frank Meulewaeter, Ph.D. filed with Response of December 30, 2002.
2. The following documents are enclosed with this submission:
[] Amendment/Reply.
[] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).
[] Other: _____
3. [] Small entity status is hereby claimed.
[] No additional claim fee is required.
[] The fee is calculated below on the basis of the highest number of claims already paid for in this application prior to this submission:

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	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS THUS PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Fee					Util. Fee \$750.00
Total Claims	13	MINUS 52 =	---	× Xtra Dep. L =	
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 6 =	===	× Xtra Ind. L =	
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Total Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Fee					
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$750.00

4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 750.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
5. ☐ Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
6. ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least ____, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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